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Microsoft should not be able to get away with playing unfairly with the industry. At the very least, every single Windows API should be opened, along with every protocol, so that competing companies can build software with the same features and stability as Microsoft can. Currently, Microsoft's claim to superiority in software comes about solely because these APIs and protocols are kept secret, therefore they are the only ones that can benefit from them. All other software manufacturers have to kludge a workaround. This would also allow for competing operating systems—such as WINE and Lindows—to be easily made with full compatibility, finally giving us some competition in the OS market.

Thank you for listening.